

132, commending the heroic efforts of the people fighting the floods in North Dakota. **Page S5246**

National Physical Education and Sport Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 133, designating May 1 through May 7, 2009, as "National Physical Education and Sport Week". **Page S5246**

National Charter Schools Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 134, congratulating the students, parents, teachers, and administrators at charter schools across the United States for their ongoing contributions to education and supporting the ideas and goals of the 10th annual National Charter Schools Week, May 3 through May 9, 2009. **Page S5247**

Military Spouse Appreciation Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 135, designating May 8, 2009, as "Military Spouse Appreciation Day". **Page S5247**

Measures Considered:

Weapon Systems Acquisition Reform Act: Senate began consideration of S. 454, to improve the organization and procedures of the Department of Defense for the acquisition of major weapon systems, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S5205–25**

Adopted:

Collins/McCaskill Amendment No. 1045, to require the Secretary of Defense to apply uniform earned value management standards to reliability and consistently measures contract performance, and to ensure that contractors establish and use approved earned value management systems. **Pages S5215–19**

Levin (for Inhofe) Amendment No. 1044, to require a report on certain cost growth matters following the termination of a major defense acquisition program for critical cost growth. **Pages S5219, S5220–21**

Levin (for Chambliss) Amendment No. 1053, to clarify an exception to conflict of interest requirements applicable to contracts for systems engineering and technical assistance functions. **Pages S5219, S5222–24**

Levin (for Coburn) Amendment No. 1046, to require reports on the operation and support costs of major defense acquisition programs and major weapons systems. **Pages S5219–20**

Levin (for McCaskill) Amendment No. 1051, to enhance the review of joint military requirements. **Pages S5220–22**

Levin (for McCaskill) Amendment No. 1049, to specify certain inputs to the Joint Requirements Oversight Council from the commanders of the combatant commands on joint military requirements. **Pages S5220–22**

Levin (for McCaskill) Amendment No. 1050, to provide for a review by the Comptroller General of

the United States of waivers of the requirement for competitive prototypes based on excessive cost. **Pages S5220–22**

Levin (for Whitehouse) Amendment No. 1047, to further improve the cost assessment procedures and processes of the Department of Defense. **Page S5220**

Levin (for Carper) Amendment No. 1048, to require consultation between the Director of Defense Research and Engineering and the Director of Developmental Test and Evaluation in assessments of technological maturity of critical technologies of major defense acquisition programs. **Page S5220**

Levin (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 1055, to clarify the submittal of certifications of the adequacy of budgets by the Director of the Department of Defense Test Resource Management Center. **Pages S5224–25**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10:30 a.m., on Thursday, May 7, 2009, and that the following be the only first-degree amendments in order to the bill, other than the committee reported amendment in the nature of a substitute, that the listed first-degree amendments be subject to second-degree amendments which are relevant to the amendment to which offered; provided that with respect to any subsequent agreement which provides for a limitation of debate regarding an amendment on the list, then that time be equally divided and controlled in the usual form; that if there is a sequence of votes with respect to these amendments, the there be 2 minutes equally divided and controlled prior to a vote on or in relation thereto; provided that upon disposition of the listed amendments, the substitute amendment, as amended be agreed to, and Senate vote on passage of the bill: Snowe Amendment No. 1056 relative to small business contracting, Thune Amendment relative to weapons systems, Coburn Amendment relative to financial management, Chambliss Amendment No. 1054 relative to "make buy", and Murray Amendment No. 1052 relative to National Security objectives. **Page S5225**

Credit Cardholders' Bill of Rights Act—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 627, to amend the Truth in Lending Act to establish fair and transparent practices relating to the extension of credit under an open end consumer credit plan. **Page S5246**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Friday, May 8, 2009. **Page S5246**

Subsequently, the motion to proceed was withdrawn. **Page S5246**